



MEDIA RELEASE

Tucson Fire Department

Fire Chief Dan Newburn



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Public Information Office

Date: April 27, 2008

Ward-4 House fire 7000 E Queen Palms Circle

Sunday April 27, 2008

Dispatch time 0336
On scene time 0341
Under control 0358

A family of four is homeless today after a fire burned the back of their house. Two family members were home at the time the fire started. They stated that they had an escape plan and meeting place which they followed and were able to evacuate without incident. The fire started in the back yard and quickly moved into the house. It took firefighters 17 minutes to get this blaze under control.

Estimated damages: \$100,000.00

Injuries: None noted at the scene

Cause: Arson

Red Cross: Family stated that they have friends and relatives to stay with until repairs can be made.

Safety Message:

- We recommend you have a working smoke detector and check it once a month and replace batteries once a year or as needed.
- This family had an escape plan and used it. This can save valuable time in a fire when panic may have a tendency to set in.

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